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SUBJECT: FATAH DELEGATION IN MOSCOW

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1. FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT OF ITEM ON SUBJECT VISIT IN AUGUST
4 ENGLISH LANGUAGE EDITION OF BULLETIN OF PALESTINE NEWS AGENCY
(WAFAP).

2. BEGIN TEXT. "ABU IYAD, FATAH CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER,
DESCRIBED THE TALKS THE FATAH DELEGATION HELD WITH SOVIET
OFFICIALS AS FRUITFUL AND SAID THAT THE POINTS OF VIEW OF BOTH
SIDES WERE IDENTICAL THROUGH ALL THE MEETINGS. ABU IYAD, WHO
WAS SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HELD YESTERDAY AFTERNOON
AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE SOVIET AFRO-ASIAN SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE,
ASSERTED THAT THE PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION IS CAPABLE OF REPULSING
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ANY AGGRESSION, TO SAFEGUARD THE UNITY OF ITS PEOPLE AND TO
PRESERVE THE PRINCIPLES ENUNCIATED BY THE PALESTINIAN NATIONAL
COUNCIL SETTING FORTH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT
PALESTINIAN STATE OVER ANY PART OF THE LAND OF PALESTINE WHICH
WOULD BE LIBERATED. HE INDICATED THAT THE REVOLUTION IS
STEPPING UP ITS COOPERATION WITH THE CONFRONTATION AND STEAD-
FASTNESS FRONT COUNTRIES AND IS MAINTAINING CORDIAL AND FRATERNAL

RELATIONS WITH SYRIA AND THE LEBANESE NATIONAL MOVEMENT.

3. "ABU IYAD SAID HE WAS NOT ONLY SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF FATAH BUT ALSO ON BEHALF OF THE PLO, ADDING THAT FATAH IS SINCERELY WORKING FOR ACHIEVING THE UNITY OF THE ARAB STRUGGLE AND THE UNITY OF PALESTINIAN FACTIONS AS EMBODIED BY THE PLO. THE PRESS CONFERENCE WAS ATTENDED BY ABU MAZEN, SECRETARY OF THE FATAH CENTRAL COMMITTEE, AND BY CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABU AL-SAID AND ABU SALEH." END TEXT.

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